

HB 1607 -- MASTER GARDENERS' WEEK

SPONSOR: Schieffer

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Committee on Tourism and Natural Resources by a vote of 20 to 0.

This bill designates the second week of March each year as "Master Gardeners' Week" in Missouri to be observed with activities designed to enhance the knowledge and appreciation of the contributions to gardening, horticulture, and our state's environment made by Missouri master gardeners.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill would recognize the many hours volunteers donate to the Master Gardeners' Program teaching others to grow their own produce, flowers, and other plants.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Schieffer; Blanche Kelly, Missouri Master Gardeners Association; and Missouri Farm Bureau.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.